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## THEY'LL BEAR WATCHING.

The action of the republican canvassers in Jefferson county, yesterday, in throwing out the vote of Basin precinct for joint representative, on a flimsy technicality, shows that the gang of republican politicians who started out to defeat the verdict of the ballot box have not yet abandoned the attempt.

The rejection of the vote in Basin does not change the result of the election, but it was none the less a high-handed and outrageous proceeding which all fair-minded men must condemn. The facts are briefly these: The votes of the eighty-one electors of Basin were cast in due form of law for all the candidates on the official ballot, including the joint representative for Jefferson and Gallatin. In making up the poll book there was no column left for recording the vote for joint representative, and the judges at Basin forgot to make a return of it. When the board of county canvassers met, they found no vote for joint representative on the poll book that had been sent to them. They made no effort to get it. The judges and clerks of election from Basin had been notified privately, however, and were on hand with duplicate poll books, ballots and ballot box, to show that the vote for joint representative had been polled in due form and to explain the omission from the first poll book. There was no charge of any irregularity in the election, there was no claim of fraud, there was not the slightest doubt as to the intention of the eighty-one honest and lawful voters at this precinct, but the two republican canvassers deliberately voted to deprive their fellow citizens of their rights for the sake of a petty party advantage.

Their ruling was of the sort that the country has witnessed with humiliation and shame in southern states under carpet bag rule, but never before in Montana.

The law made it the duty of the canvassers to see that the returns were all in before they began the count. This they did not do. Had the missing returns not been brought to them they were prepared to ignore them. Then, when the returns were all before them, and the judges were on hand to certify to their integrity, they arbitrarily threw them out.

The object of this outrage was the defeat of Mr. Whaley, the democratic nominee for joint representative, but his majority in Gallatin county overcomes the majority of his republican opponent in Jefferson by three and he is elected.

The unfair and partisan conduct of the republican canvassers in Jefferson is a warning to democrats in counties where the vote is yet to be canvassed to be on their guard against similar practices. Men who have no respect for the ballot box must be watched until the last vote is counted.

## DEMOCRATS IN THE LEGISLATURE.

Here is the democratic majority in the legislature that will co-operate with Gov. Toole in giving the state wise and economical government and will elect two good democrats to the United States senate:

**SENATORS.**  
 Choteau.....Joseph A. Baker  
 DeWitt.....R. G. Beckler  
 Deer Lodge.....W. M. Thornton  
 Fergus.....C. J. MacNamara  
 Gallatin.....C. W. Hoffman  
 Meagher.....William Parberry  
 Silver Bow.....D. J. Hennessy  
 Total, 8.

**REPRESENTATIVES.**  
 Deer Lodge.....John R. Toole  
 ".....Silvan Hughes  
 ".....C. M. Crutchfield  
 ".....C. K. Hardenbrook  
 ".....R. G. Humber  
 ".....James Marcum  
 Fergus.....John R. Barrows  
 Gallatin.....C. P. Blakely  
 Jefferson.....D. P. McElwaine  
 ".....T. E. Breen  
 ".....J. C. Twitty  
 ".....G. E. Pool  
 Lewis and Clarke.....William Wallace, Jr.  
 ".....Elmer Beach  
 ".....H. R. Conly  
 ".....A. F. Burns  
 Madison.....Patrick Carney  
 Meagher.....John A. Woodson  
 Missoula.....Frank G. Higgins  
 Silver Bow.....J. K. Clark  
 ".....T. F. Schmidt  
 ".....Joseph A. Hogan  
 ".....Henry L. Frank  
 ".....W. J. Penrose  
 ".....E. W. Gilligan  
 ".....A. M. Day  
 ".....A. M. Dessault  
 Beaverhead and Deer Lodge.....Frank Kennedy  
 Gallatin and Jefferson.....W. C. Whaley  
 Total, 31.

Grand total on joint ballot thirty-nine. Democratic majority on joint ballot seven. The legislature consists of seventy-one members, of whom thirty-two, eight senators and twenty-four representatives, are republicans.

The democratic clean sweep in Indianapolis, President Harrison's home, at the city election on Tuesday, may be found

to possess considerable significance. In no state is there more profound dissatisfaction with Mr. Harrison's appointments and general policy than in Indiana. The Evansville Journal, a prominent Indiana republican newspaper, says that President Harrison was aware of the perjury and the disreputable character of Eli Hornaday, whom he appointed as government land agent, and adds that several such appointments have been made in the state, and it fears that they "will be heard of with a vengeance in next year's political campaign." It looks as though the Indianapolis voters didn't wait until next year.

REPUBLICAN politicians and newspapers are talking with a good deal of serene complacency about the sure majority they will have in the electoral vote in 1892. All their calculations are based on carrying all the western states, including the new ones, and on holding their own in New England. But isn't this a wild calculation? The popular vote of the country has been with the democratic party for several years and it is steadily increasing. The margin of majorities for the republicans in New England, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois has grown very small of late years. It would take very little to throw the electoral vote in these states to the other side of the column. President Harrison's administration has disappointed the expectations of the better class of republicans everywhere. It has accomplished nothing; it has fulfilled none of its promises. The party is confronted to-day with the tariff reform problem, which it has hitherto dodged and misrepresented, but upon which it will now be compelled to legislate. Failure to meet the popular demand on this question will turn thousands of votes against it. The republican leaders who think the party can win another victory by standing still and doing nothing are mightily mistaken. Yet that appears to be the only policy they have yet formulated. The chances are four to one that the next president of the United States will be a democrat.

The Philadelphia Record thus sizes up the g. o. p. of Montana: "In Montana the old familiar republican policy, claim everything, has made an early and not unpromising appearance. The western people dearly love a good game of bluff."

The republican conspirators against the ballot box are still skulking about. They are watched.

The democratic majority in the legislature on joint ballot is seven, and don't you forget it.

DEMOCRATS, watch the canvass of the votes!

Those Californians will never concede anything. The Mining and Scientific Press of San Francisco stoutly contends that our big gold bar is not the biggest on record. It tells of a bar made from gold taken from the North Bloomfield mine in that state which weighed 51½ pounds. The length was 15 inches, width 6 inches and depth 7 inches. It contained 630 cubic inches of gold, worth about \$19 an ounce, the total value being \$114,000. The Montana bar was worth \$101,385.50. And then the Press dismisses us with this benediction: "Montana is showing a most magnificent product of precious metals and is leading all her sister states and territories at present, just as California once led, then Nevada and then Colorado. It was only last year that Montana took first place. But there is something doing in mining outside her borders. There is no need of any misrepresentation for her to hold her proud position. She neither made the biggest gold bar, the biggest annual gold production, nor the biggest aggregate gold production. These honors belong to California. Montana has honors enough of her own in precious metal mining without need of claiming those that do not belong to her."

This newspaper reports that a free special train on the Montana Central railroad was furnished to counsel for the democratic state committee to go to Boulder on Wednesday to see that there was no crooked work in canvassing the vote, are pronounced by Col. Broadwater to be wholly untrue. The train was chartered and paid for by the state committee; and it was a wise investment, too, for there is no telling how far the partisan canvassers would have gone had they not been met by a firm demand for an honest count.

The returns from Meagher county show that the democracy gave Toole a majority of 56, elected a majority of their legislators, a majority of their county commissioners, a majority of their county officers and a majority of their township officials. Meagher is going back into the democratic fold to stay.

**A Clear Case.**  
 Butte Miner: The Helena Journal is making ugly faces at its neighbor, the Independent, and calling it bad names because it represents the Associated Press in Helena. It is a very bad case of jealousy. If the Journal would deserve the favorable consideration of the Associated Press, it must tell the truth to begin with, and that being a condition, the Independent's job is secure.

**Does Not Complain.**  
 Col. Jim Fisk says his work was for the whole Democratic ticket and that he lodges no complaints against persons or factions because of his having failed along with that general third of his party ticket which lost in his county. He claims that the total democratic winnings in Meagher county in this contest is a two-thirds gain on the results of the past twelve years, and sustains his persistent claim that Meagher county is inherently as well as historically democratic and is legitimate fighting grounds for full democratic supremacy.

## CROSS-CUTS.

Time Fond Mother—See the darling drink?  
 Visitor—Yes, indeed, the little cunning! How he resembles his pe!

Under the laws of Bulgaria, if a patent medicine is warranted to cure a certain disease and fails to do it, the manufacturer can be prosecuted and sent to prison.

New Orleans Picayune: It is said one of the best papers published in Montana is the Anaconda Standard. It ought to be able to get around all public questions and to squeeze its enemies.

Chattanooga has received a "waterphone." This is an instrument shaped like an ordinary iron rod, which, when placed on a stop-cock, will convey the sound to the ear in case the water is running. In this way it can be determined whether or not the water is shut off in a house without entering the house.

Miss Tattall—Don't you know what Mrs. Brown said about you yesterday?

Mrs. Govee—No, nor I don't know. But do you know what my old man said about you the other day? He says when you get two or three years older, an' that pryn' nose of yours meets that wagg'n' chin, that there'll be the doggondest time on record. What? Ye ain't goin'? Well, call again soon, won't ye?—Terre Haute Express.

The New York Sun is right in saying that a repetition of the Eiffel Tower with a few feet added to its height at the World's Fair in 1892 will not fill the bill for novelty which that feature has done for the Paris exposition of 1889. We must have something absolutely similar to our own exposition, and something, too, that only New World genius and conditions can devise and carry out. Who will be the fortunate man to make the suggestion worthy of the magnitude of the opportunity?

"At home Tuesdays in March from 2 until 6 o'clock," read a simple-minded old lady on the wedding cards of a young couple of her acquaintance. "Well, well," she said, deprecatingly, "Carrie was always an awful girl to go, but I did think she'd stop her gadding round and settle down after she married; but this looks like she expected to go it worse than ever when she has to send out notice that she won't be at home but three hours a week. Giddy housekeeping she'll do at that rate! I pity her husband!"—Chicago Advance.

## HEARD ON THE STREET.

"Did I ever tell you that Crow story?" asked S. Biedler last night.

"I don't think you ever did," was the reply.

"I think it was in '68 I was up in the Yellowstone country among the trappers and thought I would take a little expedition on my own account. The trappers were so busy they didn't have time to kill any fresh meat, and I was tired of eating beaver tail, though it's mighty good when you don't have to live on it all the time. I saddled my cayuse one morning and struck out over the prairie for a place I was sure I could find a band of elk. I rode all day and couldn't get a shot, and was rather discouraged, but I saw smoke rising just over a hill and knew I must be near an Indian camp, as there were no whites, I rode about there. Riding to the top of the hill I saw I was right, for below me in the valley was a camp of Indians. I could tell by the tepees that they were Crows. There were about 100 lodges.

"Having lived among the Crows for some time I understood their language well, and putting my horse to a gallop I started for the camp, feeling assured that I would get a good supper. I rode up to the chief's tent and he came out to meet me. I knew him well, old Leaping Panther, and spoke to him in the Crow language. He seemed glad to see me but, I'll be blamed if he didn't answer me in German. A number of the young bucks gathered around me and I will be blamed if every one of them didn't commence jabbering German. I didn't know anything but Pennsylvania Dutch, but I managed to keep up my end of the string. After picketing my horse I went into old Panther's tent and his squaw got us up a splendid supper. After we were through eating we squatted around the fire, singing 'Der Wacht am Rhein' and other Faderland songs until past midnight, when we went to bed.

"I didn't go to sleep for some time. I lay thinking of them Dutch Indians and how in the devil they got to be Dutch. I never heard of such a thing before and if anybody had told me such a thing I would have put him down as an able-bodied liar. Working over the problem in my mind I fell asleep, and when I awoke in the morning I said 'Gut morgen' to old Leaping Panther who just looked at me and gave a grunt. I repeated my salutation and the old fellow grunted and said, 'Heip d—n fool.' I then addressed the old fellow in Crow and we were soon talking away as sociable in Crow as we did in German. Several times I sang in a Dutch word, but it was no go. I met a number of young bucks and spoke to them in German, but none of them could understand me. I thought I must be off my nut so I went down the river and took a bath to collect my senses. I saw a lot of beer cases and empty bottles on the bank and when I went back to camp asked Panther what it meant. He told me that some freighters in fording the stream the day before lost one of their wagons, which was loaded with fire water not much good. Well, that fire water was beer and then darned Indians just filled themselves up off it, and instead of it making them

fighting drunk it made 'em talk Dutch. Now that's something wonderful to me, but it's a fact."

"Do you know," said an old sport last night, "that I don't feel so awful sorry when some fellows get beat out of their money? I know men so close-fisted they wouldn't give a fellow a half to eat on, but so glibly that any fellow with nerve can beat them out of everything they've got. Then they make a terrible roar, and don't rest easy until they get the fellow in the penitentiary, not because the man is guilty of a crime, but because he had the audacity to beat them. If those same men were on a jury to try the man for stealing from somebody else, it's ten to one they'd acquit him. I saw a fellow get swindled out of \$20,000 once, and I was really glad of it. He is living in this territory now. He was an old cent per cent. carmudgeon, who shaved notes, swindled a little, stole a little and accumulated a great deal. Doe, Watts and his gang—most of them are doing time now came along and who should they strike but the old gentleman who was soon let into the secret that they had a gold brick for sale. Regular old chump. Thought himself fly. Took the hook with bait on it the eastern scoundrels had been refusing for years. But the best part of the whole thing is that the man had to travel to Omaha to see the brick.

"Doe Watts was one of the best gold brick men known. He told the old gentleman a wonderful story about himself and gang having captured the brick from some Mexican bandits, and how to avert suspicion his wife was intrusted with the treasure and took it with her to Omaha. Her address was given and the old gentleman carried on a correspondence with her until satisfied that the brick was there, and he agreed to accompany 'Doe' to Omaha and pay him \$20,000 for it if it turned out as represented. It so happened that I had occasion to go to Chicago about that time, and when I came back stopped at Omaha. I found the old gentleman there. He had been worked, and the police were looking for 'Doe' and quondam wife, who had skipped with the booty. The old man was wretched and swore he'd shoot 'Doe' if he ever saw him, but he never did, for 'Doe' was arrested some time afterwards in Missouri and is now serving time in Jefferson City. The old galoot came home, put on the thumb-screws on his debtors, and is richer than ever. I would like to see him lose \$20,000 more the same way."

"I was much surprised," said a tourist at the Cosmopolitan, "at what I saw at Deer Lodge the other day. I was standing near the hotel and saw the salvation army come up street with banners flying, drums beating and tambourines rattling, and was amazed to see a pleasant-faced English woman I was positive I had seen before and in quite different society. I sought her out and satisfied myself that I wasn't mistaken. The woman has a history. She is the daughter of a clergyman of the Established Church of England and made a runaway match with a young Irish lieutenant when she was only sixteen years old. She was disowned, and after a short year of married life her husband died. She didn't mourn long but took up with an artist, who led her a merry dance and abused her so that she left him.

"She disappeared from sight for awhile. I took a run over to Paris, and happened into the Mabile one night, and who should I see but the young widow, the gayest of all the gay who frequent that place. Some time afterward I went into a variety theatre in London. The star of the evening was the young widow. She was a good singer, a passable dancer and reigned as a footlight favorite for about a year, and suddenly that star went out. A year later I was in Australia, and going along the streets of Melbourne one day I was attracted by a crowd which was watching a man and woman perform on a tight rope stretched across the street. The woman let herself to the ground with a line and passed the hat. When she came to me I tossed her a shilling and recognized—the widow. That was four years ago and I had forgotten the widow until I met her at Deer Lodge in the Salvation Army. Poor soul, I hope she has found rest at last."

## THE MARKETS.

## STOCKS.

New York, Oct. 10.—Bar silver 93½.  
 Copper—Nominal; lake Oct. 10.55.  
 Lead—Steady; domestic, \$3.90.  
 The improvement in the money market made further progress to-day, and the restoration of passenger rates to Denver, with continued encouraging traffic returns, gave the stock market a bullish tone at the opening. The history of the day's transactions is chiefly comprised in the efforts of the bears to break prices by determined attacks upon a few stocks. The general list was effected to a limited extent by the weakness in the leaders, but fluctuations, as well as the business done, was confined within narrow limits. The strong feature of the day was the Northern Pacific group of stocks, which advanced on what appeared like inside buying, and which was accompanied by the story that Villard had obtained the necessary stock to carry out his scheme. An opening was made at advances extending to ¾, but the whole market soon gave way and dropped throughout the session, while Atchison reached its lowest price in its history, and New England its lowest price since June. A report in Northern Pacific helped to rally the list in the afternoon and the market closed fairly active and heavy at something under opening figures. The majority of the stocks are materially lower tonight, and cotton oil is down 2½; sugar 1½, New England 1½, Atchison 1½, Missouri Pacific 1½ and Rock Island 1 per cent, while Oregon Transcontinental is up 1½. Governments dull and steady.  
 Petroleum opened steady at 98½, and after a slight advance sagged off and closed steady at 98½.  
 Government bonds, 4s, 127½; 4½s, 105½; Northern Pacific, 32½; preferred, 74½; Oregon Improvement, 32; Oregon Navigation, 101½; Transcontinental, 30; Union Pacific, 61½.  
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## CHICAGO CATTLE.

CHICAGO, Oct. 10.—Cattle—Receipts, 19,500; steady for choice; others 100 lbs. lower; choice to extra heavy, \$4.60 to \$5.00; stockers, \$3.00 to \$3.50; and feeders, \$1.50 to \$2.50; Texas cattle, \$2.25 to \$2.50; western range, \$1.75 to \$2.00.  
 Hogs—Receipts, 20,000; steady to strong; mixed, \$4.00 to \$4.40; heavy, \$3.90 to \$4.30; light, \$3.80 to \$4.10; Sheep—Receipts, 11,000; slow, closing 100 lbs. lower; natives, \$3.50 to \$4.00; western, \$3.50 to \$4.10; Texas, \$3.00 to \$4.25.

## CHICAGO PRODUCE.

CHICAGO, Oct. 10, 115 p. m.—Wheat—Steady and higher; Oct., 82½; Dec., 84½; May, 87½.  
 Corn—Firm; Oct., 31; Nov., 31½; May, 32½.  
 Oats—Firm; Oct., 18½; Nov., 19½; May, 22½.  
 Pork—Steady; Cash, 10.47½; Nov., 30.25; Jan., 30.57½.  
 Lard—Steady; Oct., 38.10; Nov., 38.00 to 39.75.

## FOUND IN A SEWER.

The Tomb and Bones of an American Soldier Rescued by Workmen.

THOY, N. Y., Oct. 10.—A dispatch from Ticonderoga says the village is greatly excited over a discovery made to-day by workmen digging a sewer. The men came upon a tombstone and coffin containing the bones of a human being. The stone was washed off and found to bear the inscription and date of the death of Carl Howe, who was killed at the head of his regiment at the battle of Ticonderoga, July 8, 1758, in a battle with the French forces. The remains will probably be reinterred at once in the village cemetery.

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ANNUAL MEETING.—THE ANNUAL MEETING of the stockholders of the Union Mining Company, called for Thursday, Oct. 10, 1889, was adjourned until Monday evening, Oct. 21, 1889, at 8 o'clock, at the office of A. R. Barbour, Masonic building.

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